COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
CITY OF MONESSEN
CITY OF MONESSEN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
OCTOBER 10, 2024 6:30PM

1. ROLL CALL OF ALL MEMBERS PRESENT. (3 Present – 2 Absent)

2. OPENING PRAYER OFFERED BY EVANGELIST RUEBEN BROWN OF THE WHOLE TRUTH CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS SESSION OF SEPTEMBER 26, 2024. 5. PUBLIC COMMENT DIRECTED TO MAYOR MOZER ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY. 6. CORRESPONDENCE OLD BUSINESS N/A

7. REPORT OF THE SOLICITOR OF THE CITY OF MONESSEN.

8. REPORT OF THE CITY TREASURER OF THE CITY OF MONESSEN.

9. REPORT OF THE CITY CONTROLLER OF THE CITY OF MONESSEN.

10. NEW BUSINESS Mayor Ron Mozer, Director of Public Affairs

Mayor's Proclamation of the City of Monessen proclaiming the week of October 15th through October 21st as Friends of the Library Week in Monessen.

a. Mayor Mozer's recap of issues in the City of Monessen from September 26th, 2024 to October 10th, 2024.

b. Motion to approve Sewer Rehabilitation Project Phase 3, Payment Requisition and Certificate No. 24 in the amount of $220,930.95 for Phase 3 work performed during the month of September 2024. (VOTE 3-0)

c. Motion to appoint Recardo Hall of 1224 Maple Avenue, Monessen, PA 15062 to the City of Monessen Planning Commission effective immediately for a Four (4) year term ending on October 10th, 2028. (VOTE 3-0)

d. Motion to permit advertising for Demolition Hearings for properties located in the City of Monessen to be approved at a Hearing on November 14, 2024 at 5:30 pm in City Hall in the City of Monessen, 575 Donner Avenue, Monessen, PA 15062. (VOTE 3-0)

e. Motion to approve change of meeting dates and appropriate advertising for Council Meeting Sessions in the months of November and December to November

14th and November 25th and December 12th and December 23rd to be held at 6:30 pm in City Hall, 575 Donner Avenue, Monessen, PA 15062. (VOTE 3-0)
f. Is Mr. Diesion Alex Pinto of Digi Solutions, LLC. here with us today to represent 20-02-07-0-329, 705 and 707 Rostraver Street, Monessen, PA 15062. Motion to accept/deny acquisition of property from the Repository. (VOTE 3-0)
g. Motion to approve submission and advertising for the City of Monessen to seek proposals from qualified vendors to provide IT support and services across multiple city locations, including the City Garage, City Police Station, and Civic Center and other City offices. (VOTE 3-0)
h. Motion to approve Insurance Check payment from Selective Insurance to Ashley Truck Services for payment of the cost of damage repair to a Fire vehicle from an accident and the City's Insurance Deductible of $500.00 for the transaction. (VOTE 3-0)
i. Motion to approve First Reading and Advertisement for Ordinance No. 13 of the City of Monessen, County of Westmoreland, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, repealing and replacing Article I openings and Excavations of Chapter 340 Streets and Sidewalks. (VOTE 3-0)
j. Discussion of Zoning Ordinance applications to permit additional building of structures on vacant lots within the City of Monessen. k. Mo-on to transfer two proper-es, 20-02-07-0-120 and 20-02- 07-0-121 from the City of Monessen to the City of Monessen Redevelopment Authority. (VOTE 3-0)

Councilman Anthony Orzechowski, Director of Accounts and Finance

a. Motion to pay the following invoices from the General Fund in the amount of $39,150.47. All invoices are attached to this Agenda as Attachment "A". (VOTE 3-0)
b. Motion to pay the following invoices from the Recreational Account in the amount of $ 414.26. All invoices are attached to this Agenda as Attachment "B." (VOTE 3-0)
c. Motion to pay the following invoices from the Parks Fund in the amount of $1,306.03. All invoices are attached to this Agenda as "Attachment "C". (VOTE 3-0)
d. Mo-on to pay the following invoices from the Liquid Fuels Fund in the amount of $23,377.76. All invoices are attached to this Agenda as "Attachment "D". (VOTE 3-0)
e. Mo-on to pay the following invoices from the Line Usage account in the amount of $24,186.46. All invoices are attached to this Agenda as "Attachment "E". (VOTE 3-0)

f. Motion to approve the transfer of $65,159.71 from the General Fund to the Payroll Account for payroll expenses. (VOTE 3-0)
h. Motion to transfer $2100.00 from the General Fund to the Healthcare account. (VOTE 3-0)

Councilperson Lois Thomas Director of Streets and Public Improvements Streets and Public Improvement Report for month ending April 30th, 2024. **Councilman John Nestor, Director of Public Safety Police and Public Safety** Report for month ending, April 30th,2024.

Councilperson Karen Cosner, Director of Parks, and Public Property

Parks and Public Property Report for the month ending April 30th , 2024.
a. Motion to approve utilization of the City of Monessen City Park Walking Track and extended area by the Monessen Amphitheatre Committee for the annual Trunk or Treat Halloween festivities to be held from 2 pm to 4 pm on Saturday October 26th, 2024 at the City Park Walking track area. (VOTE 3-0)
b. Motion and Discussion to set the date for the annual Cleanup Day activities in Monessen and to also meet the mandates of the MS4 Environmental directives for the 2024 calendar year. (VOTE 3-0)
c. Announcement of receipt of grant from the Pirates/Highmark Charities in the amount of $17,300.00 for the erection of a batting cage for baseball and softball purposes at the Shawnee Park.

11. OPEN THE FLOOR FOR PUBLIC COMMENT DIRECTED TO THE MAYOR ON ANY ITEM RELATING TO THE BUSINESS, ORDINANCES, STATUTES, RESOLUTIONS OR DAILY WORK PRODUCT AND ATTENTION OF THE CITY OF MONESSEN.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Transcript

Mayor Mozer: it's now 6:30 I'd like to call this city council meeting of October the 10th to order. Could I have a roll call please?
Mr. Korposh: Councilperson Cosner – here; Councilman Nestor – present; Councilperson Thomas – (absent); Councilman Orzechowski – (absent); Mayor Mozer – present. Mayor Mozer - present, we note three present, two absent, and note a quorum.
Mayor Mozer: thank you. At this time I'd like to invite Ruben Brown to come lead us in a prayer.
Mr. Rueben Brown: it is a blessing to be here one more time and we thank God for allowing us to see another day and an opportunity to be here and this is an opportunity that we can come together, because a house has different rooms in different areas that do not always connect as we see it but yet it makes the house a whole house and we know that Jesus could said that a house

divided amongst itself shall fall but it's a blessing for us to come together that we can improve build and strengthen our community and the members of our community. Let's look to the Lord. Most holy and almighty God we come to you with thanksgiving we come to you oh god with praise and with thanksgiving for all that you've done and all that you're doing; we see you father for all that you've done and what you're going through father what you're taking us through and Lord we thank you as you see already the circumstances and situations and we ask for guidance, direction, we ask that you will help Father our committee our Council oh God we ask that you will touch our mayor oh God, strengthen the people who live in the community oh God. The citizens each and every one father we ask there a binding together and a likeness of mind, one with another oh God that we may be able to achieve the things that you would have us to achieve we want to build this community oh God we want to build all that's here and we ask that you will Father strengthen us guide us direct us and give us the mind that we will be able to do it, but most of all we ask that you will give us a sound mind to work together for the good oh God that everyone shall be benefited and we thank you, we give you praise we count it done and receive it right now in your dear Son Jesus's name amen.
(Pledge of Allegiance)
Mayor Mozer: at this time I'd ask uh that somebody uh make a motion to approve the minutes of the previous session of September 26, 2024, and I know that you had numerous corrections you made, with corrections.
Councilman Nestor: all right mayor motion to approve minutes of previous session of September 26, 2024.
Councilperson Cosner: second.
Mayor Mozer: is there any questions? Call the roll.
Mr. Korposh: Councilperson Cosner - yes; Councilman Nestor – aye; Mayor Mozer – yes.
Mayor Mozer: at this time I'd like to ask if there's any uh public comment concerning agenda items only.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: uh there's several things here. Let's take the light one on page two. What dates are we going to agree on for November and December since the second city council meetings are always on a holiday week.
Mayor Mozer: I believe that it says that we will have them on November the 14th and November 25th and December the 12th and December 23rd.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: is that the Thursday of Thanksgiving?
Mayor Mozer: no it's after Thanksgiving.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: oh it's after Thanksgiving okay no but uh for Christmas?
Mayor Mozer: before, it's the Monday before.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: the Monday before yeah you know but uh in December 23rd at that’s too close to uh Christmas.
Mayor Mozer: it's two days before.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: well it's still close.
Mayor Mozer: it's still close, but two days before.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: how come you can't make that a Monday?
Mayor Mozer: that is a Monday.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: oh it is maybe we got to do it Friday. Okay so now I have a question; why are you making a decision to give Digi Solutions LLC, that's on page three, the top item F. What involvement is this?

Mayor Mozer: well they are they are purchasing a piece of property and we invited them to be here I don't know if they're here or not but if they are.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: okay but who are they I mean what are they going to do?
Mayor Mozer: we find out when we get to that spot.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: I don't know, you going to clarify before you guys vote for it today?
Mayor Mozer: yes absolutely.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: and um you know again you guys now don't have any amendments back there you know when it says check under C or A, there's nothing there except the agenda.
Mayor Mozer: bills the bills.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: there's nothing there except the agenda and um discussion of zoning ordinance applications to permit additional building structures; what is that all about? That's on uh that's J on the same page, page three. You guys are making statements but we don't know what they're about.
Mayor Mozer: that's a discussion that is not a motion; we are going to have a discussion on that.
Mayor Mozer: that's all it is.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: that's all it is, okay so you're not going to approve anything tonight?
Mayor Mozer: no.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: okay right we just ask questions all right, thanks.
Mr. Ted Harhai: I have a question, why do you um invite certain people and don't, like we had a guy Joshua Lindsay that wanted to buy a property that had been condemned. He bought two prior to that and we would not convey the property to him, you did not; you knew him, you knew his work, that was his resume, his example and you voted it down.
Mayor Mozer: I did not vote him down.
Mr. Ted Harhai: why did you not vote it down?
Mayor Mozer: I did not vote him down.
Mr. Ted Harhai: you did not give it to him.
Mayor Mozer: I did not; it wasn't mine to give, that was the Landbank.
Mr. Ted Harhai: why is it not yours to give? When it's something is yours, you blame the county.
Mayor Mozer: I'm sorry but…
Mr. Ted Harhai: you go to the county, he went to the county, he said you need to go to Monessen they want the building torn down.
Mayor Mozer: okay we can argue about this all the time.
Mr. Ted Harhai: You are not telling the truth Mozer.
Mayor Mozer: we can argue about this all day long but they are the Landbank; the Landbank bought it; the Landbank has the ability to have it.
Mr. Ted Harhai: you have no it at all?
Mayor Mozer: I have no say so at all.
Mr. Ted Harhai: I don't buy that.
Mayor Mozer: sorry.
Mr. Ted Harhai: okay move on to the next thing because you're not telling the truth um Ernie brought up well the first one Ernie brought up was uh Diesion Alex Pinto of Digi Solutions, do they have a resume, do they have examples pictures of their past work so that you know what they do so that if you do vote you know what the heck you're voting for and what?
Mayor Mozer: I hope so but if you notice that we can approve it or deny it based upon our what we learned at this at that point.
Mr. Ted Harhai: what have you learned so far?

Mayor Mozer: we invited them here whether they're here or not I don't know.
Mr. Ted Harhai: why did you invite them?
Mayor Mozer: to explain that very thing.
Mr. Ted Harhai: okay you did the same thing to the last…
Solicitor Dalfonso: can I jump in here these are out of the repository.
Mr. Ted Harhai: understood.
Solicitor Dalfonso: part of the law says that the county, the county gets a lot of information; the city can follow suit to invite these individuals to a meeting um to ask what they're going to do with the property.
Mr. Ted Harhai: does the city get part of the, do they get that info too?
Solicitor Dalfonso: does the city get that? The city requests that info as well.
Mr. Ted Harhai: okay I just want to be sure that they're on the same page. Uh the last , the zoning ordinance now this permits for additional structures I know the debacle that's up on Motheral, is that's why we're having this discussion about additional vacant lots and building things like modular homes slash trailers?
Mayor Mozer: they are not trailers and no that is not what the discussion is.
Mr. Ted Harhai: if they're not trailers are the same measurement as trailers.
Mayor Mozer: what does that mean?
Mr. Ted Harhai: that means that they're small and they're low income and they're probably going to go to people that aren't going to be low income; it's going to be something else that you guys are working on behind the scenes that we know about now. Well are we becoming a sanctuary city; is that our goal?
Mayor Mozer: that is not our goal.
Mr. Ted Harhai: it appears so.
Mayor Mozer: Does anybody have any correspondence they'd like to bring forth?
Councilman Nestor: no mayor.
Mayor Mozer: at this time I'd like to ask our solicitor for his report.
Solicitor Dalfonso: thank you, Mayor; good evening everybody. On tonight's agenda you will see an amendment to the street opening uh ordinance. The reason for this the city was getting a lot of questions with all the work going around town um the past year or so, uh this makes it clear that the restoration whenever there's utilities coming to work has to be curb to curb; there is an exception um just looking at other ordinances around the area, talking to the engineer, there's going to be situations where homeowners have to fix their sewage lateral repairs um so there is an exception for street openings up to 100 square feet, typically 10 by 10. If somebody needs to fix a sewage lateral uh trying to save them some cost in doing so benefits the public health and safety that sewage laterals are getting repaired, um so a little bit of a break there. Along with it and this is a first reading and a motion to advertise tonight, the city's going to have to discuss amending their fee resolution. I think last meeting the question came up with the fees for a sidewalk opening permit. I believe it was $400; there really isn't a need for it to be that much. It should be right in line with some of your nominal fee permits $25, $30, something along those lines, so the next meeting there will likely be an amendment to the fee resolution dealing with both street openings and sidewalk openings, um and on November 14th uh there will be another demolition hearing. That's all I have.
Mayor Mozer: thank you.
Solicitor Dalfonso: that'll start at 5:30.
Mayor Mozer: at this time I'd like to ask our City Treasurer if they have anything?

Treasurer Gerald Saksun: yes, I do Mayor. Mayor, Council and citizens of Monessen, my report for the month of September. Garbage fees current for September, we received $2,745.00, year to date - $338,390.14, budgeted amount - $350,000. Garbage fees delinquent, $1,135.00, this includes $920.00 collected by Portnoff for the month of September, year to date $ 41,717.67; this includes $17,012.53 collected by Portnoff. The budgeted amount for 2024 - $75,000. Interest and penalties collected by Portnoff - year to date $1,018.49, budget amount $2,500. Garbage fees collected for 2025 year to date $760, budgeted amount $150,000. Total for September for the Garbage $3,880 - year to date $381,886.30, budget amount $577,500. City taxes revenues for real estate for September, we received $12,736.87 - year to date $1,930,029.98, budgeted amount $1,600,000. Prior year collected by the City - nothing in September, year to date $22,044.74, budgeted amount $7,000. Total year to date real estate taxes collected $1,952,074.72. Delinquent city taxes collected by Westmoreland County, for September we received $78,168.07, year to date taxes collected $241,174.29, budget amount $160,000. Total year to date taxes collected - $2,193,249.01 budgeted amount $1,767,000. Distribution is as follows: year to date General Fund received $1,358,058.41, budget amount $1,113,120. Debt Service year to date received $368,551.75, budget amount $302,080. Library year to date received $39,431.88, budget amount $ 32,320. Year to date Parks received $186,032.68, budget amount $152,480. Year to date distribution was $1,952,074.72, budget amount 1,600,000. Miscellaneous income, real estate transfer tax for September we received $4,559.01 - year to date $ 44,593.94 - budgeted amount $89,300. Earned income tax, we received September $74,488.53 - year to date $569,650.02. Budget amount $682,048. Mercantile tax - we received nothing in September. Year to date - 18,818.76. Budget amount $23,425. Local Service tax, we received nothing in September, year to date - $54,642.72, budgeted amount $71,072. Tax certifications September we received $1,610.00 - year to date $16,370, budget amount $20,000. Municipal lien letters September we received $1,425, year to date $10,800, budget amount $17,500. Line usage account unsecured payments we received in September $1,440, year to date $12,008. Line usage fee for September we received $77,586.95, year to date $690,731.10, total year to date for unsecured payments and line usage comes to $ 702,739.10. And Mayor, that concludes my report for September.
Councilman Nestor: Mayor motion to approve the City Treasurer's garbage fees and City real estate taxes collected for the month of September.
Mayor Mozer: is there a second?
Councilperson Cosner: second.
Mayor Mozer: any questions? Call the roll please.
Mr. Korposh: Councilperson Cosner - yes; Councilman Nestor – aye; Mayor Mozer – aye.
Mayor Mozer: our controller is out ill today, so I've got a proclamation I'd like to read concerning the Monessen Public Library, whereas the Monessen Public Library serves as a vital resource for our community providing access to a wealth and print and electronic materials that enrich the lives of all of our residents and whereas the library's dedicated staff and volunteers play an essential role in delivering outstanding service from research and assistance and reader advisories to engaging programs for children and families and whereas the Public Monessen Public Library exemplifies civic engagement, fostering a love of reading lifelong learning and community connections and whereas the support of community through fundraising efforts allows the library to expand its resources, enhance its services, and continue its missions to serve in a welcoming space for everyone and whereas we recognize the invaluable contribution of the Friends of the Library and all the volunteers who dedicate their time and energy to promote and support the library initiatives and whereas the week of October 15th through October 21st is

designated as Friends of the Library Week celebrating the commitment of individuals who advocate for the library and the vital role it plays in our lives now therefore, I Ron Moser Mayor of the City of Monessen do hereby Proclaim that the week of October 20th through October 26th I've got a discrepancy there October 20th through the 26th is the proper dates. As Friends of the Library we can in Monessen, I urge all residents to recognize and support the Monessen public library and its mission to participate in fund fundraising events and to appreciate the hard work of our library staff and volunteers; let us come together as a community and celebrate the Monessen Public Library a cornerstone of knowledge connection and civic engagement that continues to uplift and Inspire us all at witness thereof I've set my hand to this on this 10th day of October 2024 Ron Moser Mayor of the City of Monessen. [Applause] Thank you. This past week has been a busy week and I want to make sure that everybody understands some of the things that have been going on in the city and some of the things that we're working on first off there was a neighborhood partner program that was started under the umbrella of the Westmoreland Community Action we had our first meeting this morning and it was primarily introductory meeting the NPP is a partnership program involved business City and Community Action whereas businesses can invest $50,000 or more for 6 years receiving a 90% tax credit each year. New Kensington has such a program and it's been very successful there, so we have a lot of hope for this here. We've been working with DCED and clearing up some issues and reporting from 2016 to 2020. We hope to have these resolved soon. We also held a second of two public of two required public hearings on our 2024 budgMr. Ernest Telegraphis: the suggested CDBG budget is as follows for administration: we're allocating $30,603; to pave Knox from 10th to 13th Street $145,308, Veterans Way $38,858.00, 12 sets of personal protective gear for our firemen - $48,000, and then clearing in demolition - $43,265. That consumes the entirety of our $306,034 CDBG budget that we will be receiving; we also had some amendments that we uh we did at the same time. Amendment two was for fiscal year 2023 to recover $ 27,491 from from C&D and another 23,000 from savings on our Third Street paving, giving us a total of $ 51,118.45 to add to what we want to do in 2023 our Ninth Street Paving project. Amendment one was to recover $24,636 in savings from the fiscal year 2023 Administration and allocated for LMI activities, which is a direct result of savings with our new CDBG consultant. These will be on the agenda for next meeting we have for approval by city council; um all council members have already pretty much indicated they will approve it. We received a template from DCED regarding our stamp program and uh what it is really designed to do is to complete the work that was started by PFM that was done through uh a grant from HUD; we also have a list of qualified and approved providers that the uh RFP will be sent to. We expect to be able to bring the response to the RFP to council during our December meetings. The work on Third Street is progressing well they're working from both ends well let's change that that's really Grand at this point, and anybody that's been on Grand Street recently has seen all the construction going on in front of Barts from Tyrol to uh the far side of Bart's. There's construction going on; they're actually running quite a bit ahead of schedule right now; they expect to be finished in about 3 weeks. I do remind everybody that we have a serious detour that's going on up there. I've requested that they increase their flagman from two to three starting next week so that they'll be able to do a little bit better job with the flagging of cars that go through there; probably one of the biggest things that I would like to start doing is beginning on our November the 14th meeting, uh Council will make motions for only requiring items such as bill payments. The second meeting will have all the Motions for items discussed during the first meeting of the month. This is sort of the planning session that has been typical in the way that the City has been run in the

past where the first meeting of the month is a planning meeting, the second meeting is a is a voting meeting; the only difference is that the first meeting we have bills that have to be paid so we may be processing some bills as part of the voting there. That's the things that we've been working on this past week.
So, I'd like to make a motion to approve the Sewer Rehabilitation project phase three payment requisition and certificate number 24 in the amount of $220,930.95 for phase three work performed during the month of September 2024. Could I have a second?
Councilman Nestor: Second.
Mayor Mozer: any questions? Please call the roll.
Mr. Korposh: Councilperson Cosner - yes; Councilman Nestor – aye; Mayor Mozer – yes.
Mayor Mozer: this next motion to appoint Ricardo Hall, um I know him quite well. I think John knows him, but it's not necessarily known by all the rest of the council people; we're going to put this, I'm I would like to table this motion until the next meeting. Could I have a second?
Councilman Nestor: Second.
Mayor Mozer: any questions? Call the roll.
Mr. Korposh: Councilperson Cosner - yes; Councilman Nestor – aye; Mayor Mozer – yes.
Mayor Mozer: I'd like to make a motion to permit to advertise for the demolition hearings for properties listed in the City of Monessen to be approved on at a hearing on November 14th at 5:30 at City Hall in the City of Monessen at 575 Donner Avenue Monessen PA.
Could I have a second?
Councilman Nestor: Second.
Mayor Mozer: any questions? Call the roll.
Mr. Korposh: Councilperson Cosner - yes; Councilman Nestor – aye; Mayor Mozer – yes.
Mayor Mozer: I make a motion to approve the change of meeting dates and appropriate advertising for a city for council meeting sessions in the months of November and December to November 14th and November 25th, and December 12th and December 23rd, to be held at 6:30 p.m. in City Hall 575 Donner Monessen PA. Could I have a second?
Councilman Nestor: Second.
Mayor Mozer: any questions? Call the roll.
Mr. Korposh: Councilperson Cosner - yes; Councilman Nestor – aye; Mayor Mozer – yes.
Mayor Mozer: forgive me if I mispronounce this, is Diesion Alex Pinto Digi Solutions here with us today? In which case I'd like to make a motion to deny acquisition.
Councilman Nestor: are you part of it? Are you part of uh Digi Solutions?
Mayor Mozer: oh well please come forward, I'm sorry. So thank you okay could you uh explain a little bit first off where you where do you guys live? (Unintellgible) It says here that uh there's two parcels that you have, we only have one on the agenda, but I think we can probably process both of them is that true?
Solicitor Dalfonso: what does the letter from the county say?
Mayor Mozer: there's two different …
Solicitor Dalfonso: 705 and 707?
Mayor Mozer: that's no, that's one property, but they actually extend, another thing just yesterday. Solicitor Dalfonso: you can amend the motion.
Mayor Mozer: I'd like to amend this motion then, okay. Well let's continue on um so first off for parcel number 20270329 um you indicate that you have $100,000 you'd like to invest and want to spend three to four months…
Digi Solutions: yes.

Mayor Mozer: getting it going, once you get it going what are you going to do with this property?
Digi Solutions: We'll put the property back show to family. I'm sorry I don't know how to talk so yeah moving the house back to life and again.
Mayor Mozer: is it you going to rent it out or what's your ultimate goal for this, is it a rental or is it a place you're going to live in?
Digi Solutions: we are buying to sell the properties.
Mayor Mozer: so you're just want to fix it up and sell it, so it's an investment, okay.
Digi Solutions: it's an investment yes.
Mayor Mozer: okay, I understand.
DIGI SOLUTIONS: and we saw a lot of good chances on the city of Monessen so we would like to have.
I don't know how to use this, I'm sorry. Hello, yeah, so we like we like what we saw in the city of Monessen and a great potential to grow, and we are planning if possible to get eight to 10 properties annually to put the city to grow and get more people coming in.
Mayor Mozer: okay so I assume that are you going to be doing the work yourself are you going to hire it out?
DIGI SOLUTIONS: no we're going to hire skilled people with insurance and all paperwork done right.
Mayor Mozer: okay very good. Do you have any questions?
Councilperson Cosner: I'm just a little confused when I look at this it says demolition as soon as we receive the property deed.
DIGI SOLUTIONS: yeah not demolition I mean that's the was wrongly used, I mean it's not demolition it's fits in the whole house. I mean…
Mayor Mozer: Rehabilitation?
DIGI SOLUTIONS: Rehabilitation exactly we use the wrong term.
Councilman Nestor: have you have any properties nearby that you rehabbed?
Mayor Mozer: is this the first time you've done this?
DIGI SOLUTIONS: Pennsylvania is the first place, we did Florida and Massachusetts.
Councilman Nestor: and are mainly just investments fix, flip?
DIGI SOLUTIONS: exactly.
Mr. Ted Harhai: is that Kissimmee Florida?
DIGI SOLUTIONS: Jacksonville.
Mr. Ted Harhai: computer says Kissimmee.
Councilperson Cosner: I have another question sure you don't live here either?
DIGI SOLUTIONS: I live in Pennsylvania I live in Pittsburgh.
Mayor Mozer: Pittsburgh oh you're close yeah
DIGI SOLUTIONS: I am 1 hour 55 minutes from here.
Councilperson Cosner: so my question is in the process of fixing those homes up I know a lot of abandoned houses in the area they're overgrown with weeds and trees people don't cut the grass what are your plans for keeping these even you know while you're um rehabbing them so that they look nice for the neighbors.
DIGI SOLUTIONS: Exactly, I mean we will do as per the code whatever yeah at 121 or something we are going to follow the rules and we're going to keep the ground clean we have to because even to work on the house you have to have everything clean and have access to get

inside. I am originally from Brazil yes, no Rio de Janeiro. Do you speak Portuguese, oh good. The Mayor speaks Portuguese?
Mayor Mozer: no. Does anyone else have any other questions?
Councilman Nestor: no Mayor.
Mayor Mozer: I'd like to make a motion to accept the acquisition of the property from the repository.
Is there a second?
Councilman Nestor: second.
Mayor Mozer: any questions? Call the roll.
Mr. Korposh: Councilperson Cosner - yes; Councilman Nestor – aye; Mayor Mozer – yes.
Mayor Mozer: so and let me amend this just very slightly; maybe I should have done this before I made the motion. A motion to accept the acquisition of properties 202070329 and property number 202070479 um allow that acquisition from the repository could we second that?
Councilman Nestor: second.
Mayor Mozer: any questions? Do you have the address of those two properties?
Councilperson Cosner: it's on the agenda.
Mayor Mozer: well one of them is at 705, 707 Rostraver. I don't know where the other one is. I don't recall. They're gonna flip them, you know they're fixing up homes for investment to sell them.
DIGI SOLUTIONS: it's 915 Second Street.
Mayor Mozer: 915 Second is the other one. Any other questions? call the roll?
Mr. Korposh: did you amend that?
Mayor Mozer: I did.
Mr. Korposh: very good. Councilperson Cosner - yes; Councilman Nestor – aye; Mayor Mozer – yes.
Mayor Mozer: all right.
DIGI SOLUTIONS: thank you.
Mayor Mozer: thank you so much; welcome to the community and I hope you're very successful.
DIGI SOLUTIONS: yes we are leaving.
Councilman Nestor: take care safe. Thank you.
Mayor Mozer: no wait until after the end; wait till the end, wait till the end. Motion to approve the submission and advertising for the City of Monessen to seek proposals from qualified vendors to provide IT support and services across multiple City locations including the City Garage, City Police Station, Civic Center, and other city offices. Is there a second?
Councilman Nestor: Second.
Mayor Mozer: any questions? Call the roll.
Mr. Korposh: Councilperson Cosner - yes; Councilman Nestor – aye; Mayor Mozer – yes.
Mayor Mozer: motion to approve the insurance check payment from Selective Insurance to Ashley Truck Service for payment of the cost of damage repair to the fired vehicle from an accident in the city's insurance deductible of $500 for the transaction. Is there a second?
Councilman Nestor: Second.
Mayor Mozer: any questions? Call the roll.
Mr. Korposh: Councilperson Cosner - yes; Councilman Nestor – aye; Mayor Mozer – aye.
Mayor Mozer: motion to approve the first reading and advertisement for ordinance number 13 of the city of Monessen, County of Westmoreland Comm Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

repealing and replacing article one openings and excavations of chapter 340, streets and sidewalks. Is there a second?
Councilman Nestor: Second.
Mayor Mozer: any questions? Call the roll.
Mr. Korposh: Councilperson Cosner - yes; Councilman Nestor – aye; Mayor Mozer – aye.
Mayor Mozer: this next one's a discussion item and uh I'm really interested in getting council's opinion on some of these things, but we have ordinances that prohibit as an example owning a house over here, and then buying a vacant lot and Building a garage over there; that's dislocated from the house. If you have a house, the current ordinance requires you to build a garage either on that property or a directly adjacent property; it does not allow you to build a garage at some other place in town, and that's not normally a thing that a lot of people do but there's been several occasions where it's come before us asking for it. The point that I'm interested in thinking about is if you build anything in this city you have to build it according to code, so you're not going to build some crappy garage somewhere else to do anything; it has to be built to code, so um there may be other applications where we can reuse this vacant property that as well. I'm just thinking that we need to look at these. I know our code enforcement officer put together a list of things and I don't have it with me, of applications. It's residential, this would be residential. We do not want to have a garage put into a residential neighborhood that becomes commercial, I mean that that's clearly… no that's in a commercial area. That is a commercial area, and may not - I don't know. Is there any other things that people would like to talk about this? We're not trying to make a motion it's just we need…
Councilman Nestor: it's a great idea because that hinders the individual from wanting to do what he or she wants with their property, you know we're putting a hinderance on it if they have something across the street from there if they want to develop it, they should be able to do so as long as it meets code and expectations of the City's.
Mayor Mozer: I think that the better, more people the more property we can utilize there, more property that gets put on the tax rolls; there more property that's utilized, it's less property that that uh it has to be maintained. What I'm saying - what I'm saying is if you have a house that you have and you live over here and you build a garage over there, I don't think that it would be appropriate for our ordinance to allow that property to become a commercial property, a commercial garage. stop because on property well that's what we can put in ordinances that's the reason why we would write make an ordinance as such but the point being is uh right now it's not allowed in any case.
Councilman Nestor: so what he's trying to say is if you're a homeowner you own a piece of property across the street you just bought one of our vacant lands from the repository you can't do anything with it besides cut the grass or build a home, or build a home, but if you want to put you know a shed there, build a shed you can't do it.
Mayor Mozer: and I think that we need to be careful we don't want sheds built up across the city either.
Councilman Nestor: if you need somewhere to put your lawn mowen at let's say on your property you're current domicile doesn't have enough room, maybe you should be able to do across the street. These are just ifs ands and buts.
Solicitor Dalfonso: you can define it appropriately.
Mayor Mozer: yeah are you familiar with any other ideas that Marvin has?
Solicitor Dalfonso: I don't know; I know you're - I know Marvin um had some other ideas you probably sit down with him. This will require an amendment to the zoning ordinance and there's

a public hearing for that and um it's a little more comprehensive than just amending the ordinance.
Councilman Nestor: sounds good to me okay, thank you.
Councilperson Cosner: I just a question what if somebody wanted put up a pool and put a fence around that pool say they didn't for a family, not a pool for the whole neighborhood but is that something that they could do?
Mayor Mozer: it would be something we'd have to discuss.
Solicitor Dalfonso: the issue with it is if there are two separate lots they haven't been consolidated right so there still exists a property line they would have to go to the zoning hearing board because of that.
Mayor Mozer: currently.
Solicitor Dalfonso: currently, but you have more and more vacant properties next to occupied that could make it a little easier for them to utilize those side yards.
Mayor Mozer: okay anybody else having other thoughts? Okay let's continue on then.
I'd like to make a motion to transfer two properties 202070120 and 202070121 from the City of Monessen to the city of Monessen Redevelopment Authority. Could I have a second? These are two vacant lots that are on the on Fourth Street, that the neighbor that lives right there wants those two lots, and they live directly adjacent to it so it makes perfect sense. It's residential yes they're on Fourth Street. Is there a second?
Councilman Nestor: Second.
Mayor Mozer: any other questions? Call the roll.
Mr. Korposh: Councilperson Cosner - yes; Councilman Nestor – aye; Mayor Mozer – aye.
Mayor Mozer: so I want to continue on here because our CFO is out taking care of his wife today. Motion to pay the following invoices from the General Fund in the amount of $39,150.47, all invoices are attached to this agenda as attachment “A”. Is there a second?
Councilman Nestor: Second.
Mayor Mozer: any questions? Call the roll.
Mr. Korposh: Councilperson Cosner - yes; Councilman Nestor – aye; Mayor Mozer – aye.
Mayor Mozer: motion to pay the following invoices from the Recreational Account in the amount of $414.26, all invoices are attached to this agenda is as attachment “B”. Is there a second?
Councilman Nestor: Second.
Mayor Mozer: any questions? Call the roll.
Mr. Korposh: Councilperson Cosner - yes; Councilman Nestor – aye; Mayor Mozer – aye.
Mayor Mozer: motion to pay the following invoices from the Parks Fund in the amount of $1,306.03, all invoices are attached to this agenda as attachment “C”. Is there a second?
Councilman Nestor: Second.
Mayor Mozer: any questions? Call the roll.
Mr. Korposh: Councilperson Cosner - yes; Councilman Nestor – aye; Mayor Mozer – aye.
Mayor Mozer: motion to pay the following invoices from Liquid Fuels and Fund in the amount of $23, 377.76 all invoices are attached to this agenda as attachment “D”. Is there a second?
Councilman Nestor: Second.
Mayor Mozer: any questions? Call the roll.
Mr. Korposh: Councilperson Cosner - yes; Councilman Nestor – aye; Mayor Mozer – aye.
Mayor Mozer: motion to pay the following invoices from the Line Usage account in the amount of $24,186.46, all invoices are attached to this agenda as attachment “E”. Is there a second?

Councilman Nestor: Second.
Mayor Mozer: any questions? Call the roll.
Mr. Korposh: Councilperson Cosner - yes; Councilman Nestor – aye; Mayor Mozer – aye.
Mayor Mozer: motion to approve the transfer of $65,159.71 from the General Fund to the Payroll account for payroll expenses. Is there a second?
Councilman Nestor: Second.
Mayor Mozer: any questions? Call the roll.
Mr. Korposh: Councilperson Cosner - yes; Councilman Nestor – aye; Mayor Mozer – aye.
Mayor Mozer: motion to transfer $2,100 from the General Fund to the Healthcare account. Is there a second?
Councilman Nestor: Second.
Mayor Mozer: any questions? Call the roll.
Mr. Korposh: Councilperson Cosner - yes; Councilman Nestor – aye; Mayor Mozer – aye.
Mayor Mozer: Lois is, oh yeah okay, we'll read the balances. The American Rescue fund currently has $66,273.70, the Debt Service fund has $1,230 606.25, the Fire Escrow fund has $21,482.40, the General fund has $877,284.59, the Grant fund has $78,969.90, the Healthcare fund has $3,570.09, the Line Usage fund has $641,601.37, the Liquid Fuels has $42,509.71, the Park fund has $184,797.40, the payroll fund has $34,548.02, the recreation fund has $4,145.48 and The Refuse fund has $67,015.95. That concludes the CFO report. John, do you have anything you would like to report?
Councilman Nestor: thank you, honorable Mayor, members of council, members of administrative staff, citizens of Monessen, and I would go ahead and abstain from my report until the next scheduled meeting, thank you.
Mayor Mozer: Karen do you have anything you'd like to report on?
Councilperson Cosner: um could I defer my report to the 24th?
Mayor Mozer: you can.
Councilperson Cosner: thank you.
Mayor Mozer: do you want to do your motion?
Councilperson Cosner: yes. I have a motion to approve utilization of the city of Monessen City Park walking track, an extended area by the Monessen amphitheater committee for the annual trunk or tree Halloween festivities to be held from 2 to 4m on Saturday October 26, 2024 at the City Park walking Track area.
Mayor Mozer: very good. Is there a second?
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Councilman Nestor: Second.
Mayor Mozer: any questions? Call the roll.
Mr. Korposh: Councilperson Cosner - yes; Councilman Nestor – aye; Mayor Mozer – aye.
Mayor Mozer: thank you very much for that.
Councilperson Cosner: and I also have a motion and discussion to um… we found out recently that we have to have a second cleanup day in Monessen and it's part of the mandates of the MS4 environmental directory directives of the 2024 calendar year, and we received a nice binder if you want to find out anything about that project. It's right over there and you just asked one of the ladies at the desk and you can keep the binder here and read it. I found some very interesting things in it so you may want to take a look at it but we have to have a second cleanup day now. I sent you a my thoughts on that, did you have a chance to look at it?
Mayor Mozer: I responded and said yes I agree whole heart.

Councilperson Cosner: oh I didn't see that but and I thought because I asked all the members of council you know when a good date would be and Lois got back to me and she said that Saturday November 2nd would be best for her and that's a good date for me and anybody else who wants to volunteer this is a really good Community activity we're required to do it and I think the weather will still be nice, and I thought um what about the areas I suggested for cleanup? We usually head up towards Madison Park but we did that in May what I was thinking was Donner, Schoonmaker, this I don't know what this alley is or street that goes behind this building but that area if you look in our parking lot there's all kind of trash there. I don't like to see it, it would be nice to get it cleaned up and then the streets that parallel between Donner and Schoonmaker maybe starting at Third Street and depending on how much help we have working our way down here and um ending somewhere down here on the parallel streets, just to get the town cleaned up. I've made arrangements to um we can get additional bags we don't have to pay for any of that stuff and um that's about all I have. Does anybody have any thoughts on the cleanup day?
Mayor Mozer: I think that's great I why don't you uh form that as a motion to do this on November 2nd?
Councilperson Cosner: okay I make a motion to approve Saturday November 2nd for our fall cleanup day.
Mayor Mozer: yes, is there a second?
Councilman Nestor: Second.
Mayor Mozer: any questions? I'd sure like to invite everyone in the City to participate; that sounds like a great activity.
Councilperson Cosner: thank you what I plan to do anybody that if you have an email address I can send you the updated flyer then you can give it to everybody you knows spread the word I'll put it in our public areas here in town because the more people we have, the more we can get done and make this town… you've heard this before from me just get it cleaned up.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: the more people you hire in the streets department and police department the more it will get done.
Councilperson Cosner: okay.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: if you don't hire it will not get done.
Councilperson Cosner: all right but we're not hiring anyone before November 2nd so I'd appreciate any help that anybody in this room can give us and tell your friends it should be a good time we'll have lunch we'll have treats we'll have water and I don't know what else but I really hope that everybody takes advantage and let even if you could give two hours usually it's scheduled from 9 until 1, but if you have an hour two hours, whatever you can give I know would very much appreciate it.
Mayor Mozer: we've got vest for the people to wear for safety purposes.
Councilperson Cosner: gloves a couple of those picker up things whatever they're called so you don't have to bend down and touch the stuff and everything like that; maybe we'll have a couple rakes that you can borrow because this time of the year I know it's difficult because the weeds are still high, but it's a chance to clean the downtown area, so thank you.
Mayor Mozer: thank you.
Mr. Korposh: is there a motion on the floor?
Mayor Mozer: we approved it, for November.
Mr. Korposh: we didn't have a vote.
Mayor Mozer: I made the motion, and you seconded. Call the roll.
Mr. Korposh: Councilperson Cosner - yes; Councilman Nestor – aye; Mayor Mozer – aye.

Councilperson Cosner: okay, thank you and finally um we received the grant from the Pirates Highmark charities in the amount of $17,300.00 for the erection of a batting cage for baseball and softball purposes at Shawnee Park. If you haven't already gone over there to see it, Craig Stark put it up and I think it's beautiful; it's a really nice addition to that park.
Mayor Mozer: thank you very much for all the work you did on that that.
Councilperson Cosner: it was fun, I mean it was fun after we got the check then I was happy until then it was stressful.
Mayor Mozer: thank you, anything else? At this time I'd like to open the floor for public comment directed to myself on any items related to the business, ordinances, or statutes, resolutions, or daily work product that deserves the attention of the City of Monessen?
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: okay um the first question is for our solicitor, what is the report for the underground easement of repairing the sewers under the railroad tracks?
Solicitor Dalfonso: still not there yet with the project.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: okay when is…
Solicitor Dalfonso: everything's been submitted by the engineers to the railroad from my understanding.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: okay so when are they going to meet to make the decision, do you know?
Solicitor Dalfonso: when the engineers are ready to proceed that far with the project.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: is it going to be before the holidays or next year?
Solicitor Dalfonso: I don't have that information.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: because it's moving fast the calendar.
Solicitor Dalfonso: I understand yeah.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: I thought it was we were going to know this by October.
Solicitor Dalfonso: the Project's the project Ernie.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: all right now um what is the latest on the RVE bringing us grants mayor?
Mayor Mozer: the uh current focus is on getting the CDBG 2024 grant through that requires an application; he's working on that diligently. We've also been looking at different grants for things such as doing Parente, but that's still in the works as well.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: okay because um they've been on board now for over three months.
Mayor Mozer: my goodness.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: so what do they got they got anything coming out there?
Mayor Mozer: they've already saved us $24,000.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: $24,000 from where?
Mayor Mozer: from reduced fees for the 2023 budget.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: okay so what are they working on specifically just for parenting right now?
Mayor Mozer: today the primary thing that we've been working on is the audit that took place for 2016 to 2020 CDBG projects that is what's been consuming a lot of our time.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: okay but a real big issue of Monessen people who have…
Mayor Mozer: no, a real big issue is making sure that we satisfy these audit requirements it takes time to do that.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: okay but you still got road improvements.
Mayor Mozer: You do but if you don't solve that you don't get money from the future.

Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: well all I know is that going through this coming winter, whatever you see out there it's going to be five times worse and it's going to take you $2 million to start repairing them next year.
Mayor Mozer: well it is what it is, it will be the same as every year up to now.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: where you're going get these grants from? Okay um the other thing is this, I know Monessen is in dire straits to generate income for property, but I am against carpet baggers coming into the Monessen who don't live here I don't care if they're living in Pittsburgh and say it's close with close meaning what there's people that live in Charleroi, they don't even talk to people Monessen, but anyway they come in with a purpose to make a fast buck by flipping them now this isn't generating a community; a community is bringing people in that's going to be in harmony with the people that are living here. And we're not doing this and that creates stability; flipping homes got no stability behind it except a fast buck and if you're going to be doing this, the whole city is going to end up being like a model city for carpet baggers, and I'm really against that. Now if you're going to pass any ordinances like that you should put a requirement where they have to uh…
Mayor Mozer: Ernie, let me ask you a question what you fix up a house and you sell it, who are you selling it to?
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: where you going to get buyers at? There's no employment here.
Mayor Mozer: there is a shortage of housing in this town right now; there is a serious shortage of housing.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: yeah, it is maybe for the illegals, but I want to know who's going to be working here?
Mayor Mozer: there's short there's a shortage of houses.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: tell me who's homeless here in this city?
Councilman Nestor: let me ask Ernie a question; there's no employment so then how do you expect someone locally to fix up a house if you're saying there's no employment, so how do you expect someone locally to rehab a house if you're saying they don't have money.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: you got to go to the basics.
Councilman Nestor: don't you think someone should have the opportunity to build a house?
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: no those are carpet baggers they did that to the south after the Civil War.
Mayor Mozer: Ernie, move on move on.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: the thing is the basic premise is bring an industry here then people will make money, people who have money will move in to be part of the community so they could be part of the prosperity. If you're not working your whole plan on that then to me it's like just shooting uh dice.
Mayor Mozer: okay well thank you.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: and I got one more thing, when are you guys going to stop supporting friends groups. I don't care if they're um what do you call it uh religious groups or what, when they don't create any activity in the city, zero, now last week on Saturday you guys had a block party for his place. Nobody was there, I uh took pictures three different times.
Mayor Mozer: looked like people there to me.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: no people, that was his people who come down because he told them at church come down and support our… there was no people from Monessen.
Mayor Mozer: there was plenty of people there.

Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: yeah well maybe you might be there but nobody was there and this is a disgrace, all your activities focusing on friends groups to bring activity is zero, that's in my book and it's in everybody that sees it, so you better start being more community orientated especially.
Mayor Mozer: so we need to quit holding block parties huh.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: we need to be more Community oriented, not friend groups that the city of Monessen can't relate to.
Mayor Mozer: what's a major group?
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: that's it, you're supposed to generate it. Taxpayers. What about a taxpayer rally the people who pay taxes?
Mayor Mozer: okay Ernie, continue on.
Mr. Ernest Telegraphis: anyway that's about it.
Mayor Mozer: thank you, anybody else?
Mr. Pino Cianflone: hello my name is Pino, 45 Montraver, Monessen. yeah can you hear me? I'd like to ask you a question uh Karen first of all you, there was a big write up that you went to Monongahela to learn something. what'd you learn?
Councilperson Cosner: I learned a lot of things I love attending their um Main street because they have so many good ideas it's a positive environment where people work together and I need that I need new ideas and when I sit there everybody they give me a lot of ideas.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: okay they have it downtown.
Councilperson Cosner: well Main Street.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: does have it downtown right?
Councilperson Cosner: yes.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: does Monessen have one?
Councilperson Cosner: no, not so much anymore.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: not so much at all, that's the reason you have issues okay that's number one it's just to you it's a waste of time that you went down do come time and look. Okay number two hey Mayor what's behind your sleeve, I mean you were at a meeting last night here that last 11 minutes right that's with our new group and then next thing you know I seen you picture in WTAE. I think it was with a bunch of uh people there were church people. What what did you guys discuss?
Mayor Mozer: that was a press release.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: what was it?
Mayor Mozer: it was against hate hatred and uh and bigotry.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: in Monessen?
Mayor Mozer: yes in the Mon Valley.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: so what did you get talked about Charleroi? I mean Monessen I went to school here, I dealt with black people white people all my life I never had a problem or hate.
Mayor Mozer: perfect.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: okay so when you say there was a meeting about hate was the public invited?
Mayor Mozer: the public was definitely invited.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: was the public invited?
Mayor Mozer: as far as I know that anybody was welcome.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: I mean you were in a hurry to leave the meeting here, the last 11 minutes that the national anthem, and the prayer was longer than the meeting here, then I just question

what is in your mind. You got something behind your sleeve that we don't know that we should know?
Mayor Mozer: no.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: I believe that there is.
Mayor Mozer: well you may believe whatever you want.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: I believe that there something that you're doing behind the scene with other people; they're telling you what to do and I don't think it's the right thing. Okay?
Mayor Mozer: sorry, okay.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: okay that's all I can tell you.
Mayor Mozer: what else you got?
Mr. Pino Cianflone: now to me it's totally… I don't get it okay but then you just recently give your property from the Redevelopment Authority from the city council to the Redevelopment Authority, two of them, that's the most, that is the worst outfit that you could possibly have in Monessen.
Mayor Mozer: Well that's your opinion.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: those guys, that meeting last 10 minutes at the most this is a…
Mayor Mozer: this is a mechanism for all.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: and you come to every meeting and you heard them cuss and it's okay with you because they're cussing; if I cuss you throw me out right?
Mayor Mozer: yep.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: that's right but if they cuss you keep your damn mouth shut don't you sir, meaning because I think ugly comes first and you're ugly that's the reason you just give in.
Mayor Mozer: okay.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: all I'm telling you what happens on it so you giving them two pieces property.
Mayor Mozer: I'm giving them two pieces of property as a mechanism to get them taxable again.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: let me finish no you're giving him two pieces of property for absolutely no reason.
Mayor Mozer: so it can become taxable again.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: what is the reason?
Mayor Mozer: that it will be sold and become taxable.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: are they legitimate?
Mayor Mozer: it'll be legitimate, is that group legitimate?
Mayor Mozer: it is absolutely legitimate.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: do you really believe so?
Mayor Mozer: yes.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: who did they sell it to?
Mayor Mozer: I don't have the guy's name, but I do upstairs.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: is it one of their friends?
Mayor Mozer: I can't … no it's…
Mr. Pino Cianflone: is it one of their.. you know one you were in a Redevelopment Authority and you…
Mayor Mozer: if you would slow down and let people answer questions whether just sit there talking talk talk talk talk. no I'm not going to let you finish because you're just rambling on.

Mr. Pino Cianflone: okay you bought a piece of property when you were at the Redevelopment Authority for four grand. He bought a piece of property downtown that is just an empty parking space; how do you guys do that?
Councilman Nestor: I bought that lot a long time ago.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: yeah but how' you do that?
Councilman Nestor: it becomes a property, my property because I was landlocked by the Redevelopment Authority, why do I want the City coming down to cut my grass when I can cut my own grass, and I can have a yard for my children to play in.
Mayor Mozer: and pay taxes on it.
Councilman Nestor: and pay taxes on it.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: that's fine, but how much you pay for it?
Councilman Nestor: I'm not too sure.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: how much you pay for yours?
Mayor Mozer: I think it was about five grand.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: five grand huh; anybody else could have it for five grand right I would have bought it for five grand.
Mayor Mozer: well why didn't you?
Mr. Pino Cianflone: I wasn't here but then.
Mayor Mozer: there you go.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: but you were in the Redevelopment Authority.
Mayor Mozer: I wasn't in the Redevelopment Authority at the time.
Councilman Nestor: you're making it sound like it was recent; that was a very very long time ago.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: that doesn't make any difference when it was, but it seems like you guys were all on the same politics.
Mayor Mozer: no I wasn't part of any, any part of Redevelopment Authority.
Councilman Nestor: and they are more likely to give it away because why would they want to sit on it.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: well they give it away. I didn't know they give property.
Councilman Nestor: maybe go and buy something, maybe go in there and stop screaming at people and being so cantankerous maybe that's why just people just don't want to deal with it; everyone's always screaming hate around that's when things don't work around, work well cuz we're all divided; you come in here start to scream with him you guys go back and forth what does this work what is this making us out to look like?
Mr. Pino Cianflone: do the right thing.
Councilman Nestor: we look like, we look like…
Mr. Pino Cianflone: do the right thing, make Monessen better, don't let there look for property that they worthless. The downtown area you guys destroyed the downtown area you guys destroy the downtown area.
Councilman Nestor: I really don't feel that you coming in here and screaming every day makes Monessen any better; it makes us a joke.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: so it makes me… it makes you a joke whenever you jerk in and say yes.
Mayor Mozer: okay let's bring let's bring this to a conclusion; what else do you have?
Mr. Pino Cianflone: well them are the two of the items that I have as far as then you've done them and we're done I'll get to it.
Mayor Mozer: no I'm not going to sit here and let you just ramble on and on.

Mr. Pino Cianflone: are you trying to rush me?
Mayor Mozer: I am trying to rush you. I would like to go home sometime this evening.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: would you like to have another 11 minute meeting again?
Mayor Mozer: do you got another point to make; do you have another point to make?
Mr. Pino Cianflone: yeah what is it you said, now I remember, Karen, you, whenever they closed they put a stop sign on Third Street right by them steps that the reason the steps were the stop sign was put in there, what was the reason?
Mayor Mozer: to slow traffic down.
Councilperson Cosner: slow the traffic down.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: what was the reason?
Councilperson Cosner: to slow the traffic down because there was too much speed incoming.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: what was the reason you closed the steps?
Mayor Mozer: the steps to disintegrated there's this this safety issue.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: I thought it was a safety issue because people walked downstairs.
Mayor Mozer: no there's no there's no guard rails the guard rails have rusted apart, the concrete… Mr. Pino Cianflone: do you have intentions of fixing it?
Mayor Mozer: if we had some money we might consider it.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: so what is that you do for the city, that's what I'm trying to get at? What is that you guys do for the city to make it better?
Mayor Mozer: provide a safe place, we got police, we have water, we have sewer.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: you don't have enough police, you don't have enough city council people working and you do not have you - still haven't given the money to the firemen like you should.
Mayor Mozer: we have.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: no not all of it all of it not all.
Mayor Mozer: let's move on let's move on.
Mr. Pino Cianflone: not all of it.
Mayor Mozer: let's move on; somebody's got something intelligent?
Mr. Ed Lefevre: Ed Lefevre on Keystone Drive. I had a recent letter I submitted to uh the Mon Valley Independent and the uh owner and the uh and the uh editor rejected it and uh I thought I thought I was very fair with it. I questioned, I understand you were at this religious meeting about hate and etc., in this letter that I had written I quoted two uh meetings one was with the Pennsylvania Secretary of I guess drug control; she was uh I think she was at uh up by La Eda's.
Mayor Mozer: let me let me stop you for just a second; this is this is a… no because the purpose no no…
Mr. Ed Lefevre: if okay you don't want me bring that up I won't/
Mayor Mozer: no what I'm saying is this is something that I can control; it's questions about things that we can control. I don't control the news okay.
Mr. Ed Lefevre: the control was I if you're attending one meeting I can't understand why you and the Chief of Police can't attend a drug meeting when a secretary from the drug enforcement in Harrisburg was present but you'll go to a..
Mayor Mozer: first off I did not know about that meeting at all and secondly what that was a benefit meeting that's all it was to benefit those people that they had been working with.
Mr. Ed Lefevre: that's true but they discussed a lot about families next door here; she was next door.
Mayor Mozer: I have no idea I wasn't there.
Mr. Ed Lefevre: I'll just drop it.

Mayor Mozer: I didn't know about it.
Mr. Ed Lefevre: I'll drop that.
Mayor Mozer: thank you.
Mr. Ed Lefevre: let me ask you this the construction that's going on Grand Boulevard the damage undoubtedly that they are doing the Grand Boulevard are they responsible for that?
Mayor Mozer: yes.
Mr. Ed Lefevre: let me ask you then looking around the city; I've noticed huge trailer trucks coming down Grand Boulevard. There are no weight limit signs on the main the main avenues in Monessen. Should there be wait why should a trailer truck come down on Grand Boulevard past the park when he can come down when that trailer truck can go through the city itself downtown to wherever they're going? I haven't seen any uh weight limit signs anywhere there where they should be; they're damaging - these trucks - these delivery trucks, huge trucks they're damaging community roads like a Grand Boulevard to my opinion, an artery like that shouldn't be used by what a 16-wheeler truck.
Mayor Mozer: I don't I've not seen these 16 wheelers so I don't know, are we talking moving vans or what?
Mr. Ed Lefevre: yeah we're talking about delivery trucks that are huge with a lot of weight and they're using
Mayor Mozer: UPS trucks?
Mr. Ed Lefevre: no, no, I'm talking about a trailer a long trailer truck with a lot of weight why aren't there some posted uh weight limits?
Mayor Mozer: there are some generally accepted weight limits for roads I don't know what those are but it's over 100,000 pounds I know that.
Mr. Ed Lefevre: but are any posted in Monessen?
Mayor Mozer: no not that I'm aware of.
Mr. Ed Lefevre: should they be?
Mayor Mozer: I don't know I've never seen a problem with this before. I've never seen a barrage of these trucks coming through.
Mr. Ed Lefevre: I certainly have; let me ask you this then, Third Street when it was paved, was that black top put over the cement?
Mayor Mozer: yes, it was.
Mr. Ed Lefevre: that's sad.
Mayor Mozer: no it's actually a very stable base.
Mr. Ed Lefevre: at the seams I've seen roads that were paved over with black top.
Mayor Mozer: most of the roads in this town are just that paved over concrete or paved over brick.
Mr. Ed Lefevre: and they don't last. One other question, no that was the last one.
Mayor Mozer: thank you, any other questions?
Ms. Linda Lacey. Linda Lacey, Maple Avenue I was a little bit confused when you said the city council was going to approve the CDBG projects but I think I heard Evergreen and I think I've heard um Knox but I didn't hear anything about 10th Street, so how did Evergreen get in front of 10th Street?
Mayor Mozer: we're not doing Evergreen either.
Ms. Linda Lacey: you said that.
Mayor Mozer: what I read to you this morning and what will be read and approved going forward will be Knox Avenue from 10th to 14th Street, Veterans Way are the two streets that

we're doing, 12 sets of personal protective gear for firemen, clearing and demolition, that totals all the money we've got $306,034.
Ms. Linda Lacey: you said 10th Street to Knox, what part of Knox?
Mayor Mozer: Knox from 10th to 14th.
Ms. Linda Lacey: going into Highland Manor? I don't understand.
Mayor Mozer: those are the two end points 10th and 14th.
Ms. Linda Lacey: but I thought Knox goes past the park, correct?
Mayor Mozer: correct it does but we're going to start at the end of the part from 10th Street to go back to 12th Street, going back to 14th.
Ms. Linda Lacey: does that include fixing that sink hole that's on Knox?
Mayor Mozer: it includes everything that's on Knox between 10th and 14th Street.
Ms. Linda Lacey: so why couldn't you just go 500 feet and pave that little section to Mountain View or Valley View or whatever that street is called?
Mayor Mozer: and hopefully we can get to that sometime soon when there's more people over there. The other project…
Ms. Linda Lacey: Mayor, you keep saying that; why don't you take the sign down, make it not a street then I can understand you not paving it, but that's a street sign there are people living there.
Mayor Mozer: we have a street that is totally impossible to maintain
Ms. Linda Lacey: you promised last year when I brought this up that you had allocated money to do 10th Street, now you can't?
Mayor Mozer: now we can't.
Ms. Linda Lacey: well we'll see about that.
Mayor Mozer: can I have a motion to adjourn?
Councilman Nestor: so moved Mayor.
Mayor Mozer: second?
Councilperson Cosner: second.
Mayor Mozer: all in favor say aye – (ayes). Meeting is adjourned; thank you.